Hansen's IGA recalls apple bratwurst; Labels missing wheat as ingredient

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MADISON – Hansen's IGA, a Bangor, Wisconsin establishment, is voluntarily recalling about 250 pounds of apple bratwurst containing wheat that is not listed on the label, the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection announced today.

Wheat can cause a serious reaction in people with an allergy or severe sensitivity to wheat. No illnesses have been reported from consuming these products.

The recall applies to bratwurst purchased by consumers after April 3, 2013. The apple bratwurst are packaged 6-7 on a foam tray with a clear plastic overwrap and bears the establishment number 688 inside the Wisconsin state mark of inspection on the label. The product was produced on April 3 and April 16, 2013. Date codes on the package will state either "Packed on: 4/3/13" or "Sell by: 9/16/13."

The bratwursts were sold in Hansen IGA stores in **the La Crosse area, specifically Bangor and Westby**. Consumers who have any of these products may return it to the place of purchase for a refund, or discard them. Consumers and media with questions about this recall can contact store owner Greg Hansen at 608-486-2049.

Symptoms in people with a wheat allergy may include swelling, itching or irritation of the mouth, nose, throat, eyes and skin; difficulty breathing; cramps, nausea or vomiting; diarrhea; or anaphylaxis. While most people do not have food allergies, anyone who eats a specific food and experiences symptoms should consult a doctor.

For more information on other food product recalls or food allergens, contact the Division of Food Safety at 608-224-4700; by mail at DFS, DATCP, P.O. Box 8911; or by e-mail at datcpfoodmailbox@wisconsin.gov; or online at datcp.wi.gov.

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